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Letter dated 24 August 1999 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I am writing in connection with your letter dated 18 August 1999 transmitting the request from the Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, acting as the preparatory body for the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, to the Committee on Conferences.

Pursuant to the procedures adopted by the Committee on Conferences with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings, the Bureau of the Committee on Conferences, on behalf of the Committee, was informed that the Commission on Sustainable Development, acting as the preparatory body, decided to recommend to the General Assembly at its fifty-third session that it authorize the preparatory body to hold a resumed session of two days in September 1999 in order to complete its work. The Committee was further informed that 9 and 10 September were the most suitable days.

I wish to inform you that, having carefully reviewed the case, the Committee on Conferences decided to authorize the preparatory body to hold a two-day resumed session in order to complete its work, and the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1999 will be adjusted accordingly.

(Signed) **Peter Van De Velde**
Chairman
Committee on Conferences

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